## House Resolution No. 974

Whereas, Larry Forsythe became a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks, Farmington Lodge No. 1765 in June of 1999, was quickly installed as the lodge Esquire in April 2000, and advanced to the highest position of Exalted Ruler in April 2003; and

Whereas, Larry Forsythe attended the two state conventions of the Missouri Elks Association and the Grand Lodge Convention in July, representing Farmington Lodge and fulfilling his role through the legislative process; and

Whereas, Larry Forsythe has participated in numerous activities and initiatives as a member of Farmington Lodge No. 1765 which include the Youth Awards Banquet, the Elks Mother's Day program, the Tuesday Food for Scholarships program, the Sportsman of the Month raffle, Weedy's Golf Tourney, the Elks Soccer Shoot program, the Veterans Christmas program, the purchase of a 25 x 40 foot parade flag, the annual Lodge picnic, the Elks "Hoop Shoot" free throw contest, the Ellis Fischel House pledge, ringing bells for the local United Way, and the Lodge Christmas Basket program; and

Whereas, in his role as Exalted Ruler, Larry Forsythe worked with Lodge leadership to complete several projects, including the resurfacing of the parking lot and the renovation of the old dining room area to match the lounge; and

Whereas, one of five Lodge officers to attain the rank of District All-Star, Larry Forsythe also presided over the initiation of more than fifty new members to Farmington Lodge No. 1765; and

**Whereas**, a dedicated family man, Larry Forsythe currently serves as a full-time employee of the Missouri Natural Gas Company and holds a seat on the Farmington City Council:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Larry Forsythe for his year of unparalleled service to the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks, Farmington Lodge No. 1765, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Exalted Ruler, Larry D. Forsythe.

Offered by
Representative Kevin Engler
District No. 106
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No. 974, adopted March
9, 2004.
Catherine I Hanaway Speaker